



Sally Ann Curtis Riley

March 12, 1935 - May 3, 2025

Sally Ann Curtis Riley, 90, passed away peacefully on May 3, 2025, in Bloomington, Indiana, surrounded by the love of her family.

Born on March 12, 1935, in St. Louis, Missouri, Sally was the daughter of Opal Neverbia Ann Fugate and John Leroy Curtis. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, William Earl Riley, with whom she shared a devoted marriage, as well as her siblings, Patsy Ruth Curtis Kuper and John Robert Curtis.

Sally served her country in the United States Marine Corps, earning the rank of Private First Class. She was extremely proud of her service, which reflected her strength, resilience, and unwavering sense of duty.

She is survived by her three devoted children: Curtis Patrick Riley and his wife Michelle Mary Riley of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Kenneth Alan Riley and his wife Rebecca Riley of Henderson, North Carolina; and Katherine Rose Riley Paulin and her husband Travis Richard Paulin of Bloomington, Indiana. She was a proud and loving grandmother to Haley Rose Paulin and Riley Everett Paulin, who brought great joy to her life.

Sally was a beautiful blend of sass and sweetness, a woman whose warmth, wit, and fierce love left a lasting imprint on everyone who knew her. Her affection for roses reflected her own nature—elegant, resilient, and always blooming.

Sally was a caregiver through and through. She selflessly gave her heart to her children, grandchildren, and just about everyone she met, always there

with a steady hand and a kind spirit. You always felt seen, heard, and truly valued in her presence—her impact was felt by so many.

In her final years, Sally was lovingly cared for at Jill's House Memory Care in Bloomington, Indiana. The facility's intergenerational preschool brought her daily joy, allowing her to spend treasured time with children, something that had always brought her the greatest fulfillment. Even as her memory faded, her gentle presence and love for others remained deeply felt, especially in the laughter of the little ones,

We will remember and celebrate Sally with love at a funeral service held at Allen Funeral Home in Bloomington, Indiana, on Wednesday, May 7, at 11:00 a.m. Burial will follow at Scottsburg Cemetery in Scottsburg, Indiana, where she will be reunited with her beloved William.

Her love lives on in every warm memory, every blooming rose, and every child's laughter. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.allencares.com

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 S. Old State Road 37
Bloomington, IN 47401
(812) 824-5905
<http://www.allencares.com>

Tribute Wall

JT

“ Sally was such a kind, sweet soul! My mom moved into Jill's House a year ago and I had the honor of spending time with Sally weekly and doing puzzles and watching movies with my mom and the residents. Sally was such a gentle and lovely woman. I will certainly miss seeing her.

Jenn Tarter - May 07, 2025 at 10:07 AM

SP

“ Very sorry for your Loss
I remember Your Mom going to Tea with Patsy at The Ritz
Those two always had a good time together
They acted like they owned the Place
Because They did.
Very Fun and Classy
Susan Pupillo and Family St Louis MO

Susan Pupillo - May 06, 2025 at 01:34 PM

WP

“ With Love Phyllis and Jerry Paulin purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Sally Ann Curtis Riley.



With Love Phyllis and Jerry Paulin - May 06, 2025 at 02:49 AM

PP

“ I will always remember Sally and her love of Haley and Riley and her family. Her smile, as she relayed a story about them, reflected the genuine admiration she felt.

Sally, may you rest in peace in the arms of angels. Fellow grandmother to Haley and Riley, Phyllis Paulin

Phyllis Paulin - May 05, 2025 at 10:27 PM